

TRUEWATER

January 15, 2002

Attorney General John Ashcroft
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

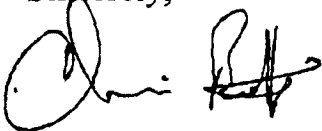
Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

There has been enough posturing on both sides of this Microsoft lawsuit to make a flock of peacocks jealous, and more confusion than a chicken running around with its head cut off. It is clear that any further litigation would only make matters worse.

I am writing to lend my individual support for this settlement. I believe that its terms are reasonably fair for both sides. They make sure that Microsoft avoids its allegedly unfair retaliation practices to software makers, such as attaching software to Windows. It will also be required to change future versions of Windows to accommodate other brands of software more effectively.

I am hoping that no further federal action will be necessary, and that this sort of rancor can be minimized in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Britt", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Christopher Britt

Cc: Representative Sheila Jackson Lee